

UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

REGION 5 77 WEST JACKSON BOULEVARD CHICAGO, IL 60604-3590

REPLY TO THE ATTENTION OF SR-6J

EPA Region 5 Records Ctr.

BY FACSIMILE ONLY

June 17, 1998

Mr. Gerald Willman IEPA, Bureau of Land 1021 N. Grand Ave. East P.O. Box 19276 Springfield, Illinois 62794-9276

Re: Request for State Concurrence on Proposed Plan

Lenz Oil Services, Inc., Site

Dear Jerry:

The revised Proposed Plan for the Lenz Oil site, with the majority of State comments incorporated, is attached. I was not able to fully address several of the comments you submitted on the last draft Proposed Plan, but I would propose that we work toward resolving any remaining issues by scheduling conference calls to discuss the issues, and incorporate their final resolution into the Record of Decision. One of the comments which I attempted to address, but which may require more input from you, was an explanation of the term "reasonable" when stating that natural attenuation would have to be able to achieve federal and state groundwater quality standards within a reasonable amount of time. Another issue that is not addressed in the Proposed Plan is an explanation of the methodology to be used during the predesign studies to ascertain initial volume of LNAPL versus volume of LNAPL remaining after treatment. I will be sending you a copy of a research paper related to the issue which we might be able to refer to in resolving how and to what extent this issue will be fleshed out in the ROD.

Please let me know when the State will be able to indicate whether it concurs with the Proposed Plan. In order to ensure that issues related to preparing a ROD for this site are addressed, it may be beneficial to set up regular, perhaps bi-monthly, conference calls.

I am not planning to fax this cover letter and latest draft to Larry Eastep or Terry Ayres (unless you request it), so could you please provide Larry and Terry with copies of the Proposed Plan if they can begin reviewing it before they get their copies in the mail? Thanks.

Sincerely,

Mary Tievney

cc: Larry Eastep, IEPA (via regular mail only)

Terry Ayres, IEPA (via regular mail only)

Susan Horn, IAG (via facsimile and regular mail)

Bill Bolen, USEPA (via interoffice mail)